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Jane Henney, Commissioner
Food and Drug Administration
Docket # 00P-1211/CP 1
5630 Fishers Ln. Room 1061 (HFA-305)
Rockville, MD 20852

Dear Ms. Henney,

I am writing because of concerns about genetically engineered foods. As a biologist, I am aware of the technology and issues surrounding GE foods. Although the technology was intended to be beneficial, there may be unwanted ripple effects of introducing GE plants into ecological systems, which evolved holistically over millions of years. In addition, there are justice issues involving **control** of the world's seeds by only a few **large** corporations. And finally, we do not have data about the long-term safety of genetically engineered foods in human systems. Again, although we think they are benign, we cannot say for sure.

In light of the uncertainties involving the consumption of GE foods, I **feel** it is prudent for the Food and Drug Administration to lead the way in comprehensive governmental regulation of GE foods. Specifically, we should require long-term safety testing of such foods before they are released into the market. In the meantime, any GE foods presently on the market should be clearly labeled so consumers can make their own choices.

Please use your influence to help us take these important steps. Thank you.

Sincerely,



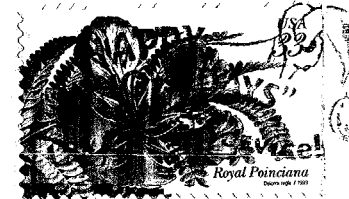
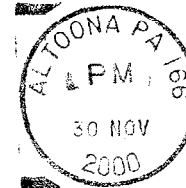
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